(b) the steps proposed to be taken to check ticketless travel in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The amount realised as railway dues from persons detected travelling without ticket or with improper ticket was as under:

Year	*Amount realised (Rs.in crore)*
1988	19.00
1989	21.96
1990	24.84
1991 (upto June)	3.22

(b) The measures taken to curb ticketless travel include surprise/magisterial checks from time to time, publicity campaigns through different media and deterrent penalties incorporated in the new Railways Act.

Squad of Flight Inspectors In Air India/ Indian Airlines

5483. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to constitute a special squad of flight inspectors to maintain close check on the flying proficiency of the pilots of the Air India and the Indian Airlines;

(b) if so, the details of this proposal with background thereof;

(c) the details of honorarium and facilities to be provided to the members of this squad;

(d) the criteria fixed for their selection;

(e) whether this selection will be from amongst working staff; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has established a Flight Inspection Directorate in the DGCA with 9 Flight Inspectors. These Flight Inspectors will carry out skill and proficiency checks of airline and general aviation pilots. The setting up of an independent Flight Inspection Directorate in the DGCA is in pursuance, *Inter alia*, of the recommendatuions of the Courts of Inquiry that have investigated air crashes in the past.

(c) The Government has approved the pay and allowances of pilots appointed as Flight Inspectors as per their entitlement in their parent organisation.

(d) The criteria for selection is that the pilot must be fully qualified on the type of aircraft on which he will carry out checks; he must be experienced on the type ; and he must have the necessary aptitude.

(e) and (f) . While the pilots are drawn mainly from the airlines, there is no need to confine the selection to the working staff of the airlines only.

Pilferage of power In Delhi

5484. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some officials of the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking are alleged to have been involved in the pilferage of power; and

(b)if so, the details of action taken/proposed to be taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). Appropriate action, under the rules, would be taken by DESU

against any employee involved in the pilferage of power. However, according to DESU no case of involvement of its employees in the pilferage of power has come to the notice of the Undertaking.

Train Accident near Gwalior

5485. SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether atrain accident took place near Gwalior on August 10, 1991;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) the reasons of the accident; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to dissuade passengers from travelling on the roof of the train?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). While 657 Dn. Gwalior-Bhind passenger train was passing under an overbridge between Gwalior and Gawlaka Mandir. passengers travelling on the roofs of the coaches hit against the girder of the bridge resulting in the death of 4 persons, grievous injury to 10 and simple injury to 22 persons.

(d) The measures taken to curb roof travel include detraining passengers from the roof of the trains, publicity campaigns through different media, surprise checks from time to time and deterrent penalties incorporated in the Railways Act.

[Translation]

Expansion of Railways

5486. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:
SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of increase per year in the rail fares and freight during the last three years;

(b) the percentage of increase per year in the construction of New railway lines, conversion of meter gauge lines into broad gauge, starting new train services and tools trains during the last three years; and

(c) the names of railway lines introduced and the number of railway services discontinued during that period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS: (SHRI MALLIKARJUN)(a) Increase in rail fares and freight charges during the last three years is indicated below:

I PASSENGER FARES:

1989-90: There was no increase in the passenger fares during 1989-90.

1990-91: With effect from 1-5-1990, the passenger fares were increased as under

Distance slab	Increase	Passenger fares KMS. per Ticket
(i) Second Class increase	1-25	No
	26-100	1.00